



Iowa Department of Human Services

INFORMATIONAL LETTER NO. 1975-MC-FFS

DATE: December 10, 2018

TO: Iowa Medicaid Advanced Registered Nurse Practitioners, Physicians and Certified Registered Nurse Anesthetists

APPLIES TO: Managed Care (MC) and Fee-for-Service (FFS)

FROM: Iowa Department of Human Services (DHS), Iowa Medicaid Enterprise (IME)

RE: Anesthesia Conversion Factor Update

EFFECTIVE: January 1, 2019

Pursuant to the authority of 2018 Iowa Acts, Senate File 2418, section 40, the Iowa Medicaid anesthesia conversion factor shall be updated on January 1, 2019, to align with the most current Iowa Medicare anesthesia base rate.

Effective for dates of service on or after January 1, 2019, the Iowa Medicaid anesthesia conversion factor will be \$1.41 per minute (\$21.16 / 15 minutes).

If you have questions, please contact the IME Provider Cost Audit and Rate Setting (PCA) Unit at 1-866-863-8610 or email at costaudit@dhs.state.ia.us.